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<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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Date of Interview: 07 April 2005.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: all.

Identification of prior art discussed: Devonec.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: the limitation "releasably joined" was discussed, but no special definition is being given to the term since no special definition has been established in the disclosure. It was also mentioned that a product claim will not be differentiated by functional language or intended use when there is no difference in structure between the claims and the prior art.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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**PRIMARY EXAMINER**

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